COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT PANEL held at 2.30 pm at COUNCIL OFFICES LONDON ROAD SAFFRON WALDEN on 31 OCTOBER 2002

Present: Councillors Mrs C A Bayley, Mrs D Cornell, D W Gregory and Mrs J E Menell.

Officers in attendance: Mrs G Bradley, Mrs L Bunting and Miss S Hayden.

CA1 **APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E C Abrahams and R W L Stone.

CA2 **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs J E Menell be elected Chairman of the Panel for the remainder of the Council year.

CA3 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Community Achievement Panel held on 29 November 2001 were received, confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

CA4 **SPORTS CLUB/INDIVIDUAL GRANT AWARDS**

Members were advised by the Leisure Manager of a proposal regarding linking both the Community Achievement and the Sports Awards ceremonies together in future years in an effort to keep costs down. After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED that the Community Achievement and Sports Awards ceremonies take place jointly in future years.

CA5 **NOMINATIONS FOR COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

The Panel were asked to consider the acceptance of two applications that had not been received by the qualifying date. The circumstances for the delay were explained and the Panel agreed that the applications should be accepted for consideration.

As in previous years the Community Achievement Award scheme included the following categories:

(a) Service to children and young people up to 18 years of age.
(b) Service to the elderly.
(c) Service to people with disabilities.
(d) Service to the local community and/or the environment.
(e) Youth initiatives – nominations for young people – (aged 15-18).

Members were aware that two nominations could be accepted in each category from every parish council and up to four from Stansted and Thaxted Parish Councils and the Town Councils of Great Dunmow and Saffron Walden. In addition, Uttlesford Volunteer Bureau were able to submit twelve nominations from which six awards could be made.

RECOMMENDED that the following nominations be submitted to the meeting of the Community and Leisure Committee on 5 November 2002:

Category A – Service to Children and Young People

Leslie and Joan Thurston – Takeley - to receive a joint award
Barbara Norris – Great Chesterford
Susan Saban and Martin Wybrew – Hatfield Heath – to receive a joint award
Jane Smith – Barnston

Category B – Service to the Elderly

Edith Smith – Stebbing
Pamela Keene – Felsted
Pat Overy – Great Dunmow
Robyn Parkinson – Hatfield Heath
Ian Petrie – Hatfield Broad Oak
Edna Tiffen - Thaxted

Category C – Service to People with Disabilities

Mark Gerber – Elsenham
Elizabeth Thompson – Saffron Walden

Category D – Service to the Local Community and the Environment

June Tupper – Radwinter
Edward Brown – Wimbish
Barbara Weatherup – Clavering
Nancy Tennant – Ugley
Donald Feaver – Hempstead
Jenny Green – Little Easton
Lionel Britten – Little Hallingbury
Brian McCraith – Little Hallingbury
John Packett – Felsted
William Fitch – Great Hallingbury
Janice Baldwin – Great Hallingbury
Stanley (Jim) Ward – Birchanger
Leonard Farren – Thaxted
Peter King – Thaxted
Simon Cooke – Clavering
Ken Rivett – Langley
Rona Lambert – Barnston
Diana Golding – Saffron Walden
Jane and Tony Appleby – Littlebury – to receive a joint award

Category E – Youth Initiatives – Nominations for Young People (aged 15-18)

Unfortunately there were no nominations for this category.

CA6 **ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE AWARDS CEREMONY**

The Panel the discussed details for the awards ceremony which was to be held in the Council Chamber on 13 February 2003. It was suggested that one group photograph be taken in order to save on time and that the award certificates be laminated for better presentation. A discussion also took place on the arrangement of tables.

Members were disappointed that no nominations had been received for the Youth Initiatives category this year. Members suggested that nomination papers should be sent out earlier in future and also that a reminder letter be sent to town and parish councils to encourage them to make nominations.

The meeting ended at 3.20 pm.